

July 30, 2019
Reno County Courthouse
Hutchinson, Kansas

The Board of Reno County Commissioners met in agenda session with, Chairman Bob Bush, Commissioner Ron Sellers, County Administrator Gary Meagher, County Counselor Joe O'Sullivan and Minutes Clerk Cindy Martin, present. Commissioner Ron Hirst was not available.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public or commissioners' comments.

There were two items added to the agenda: Mr. Baldetti has a mosquito spraying update, and an executive session for a privileged legal matter with no action required.

Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the Accounts Payable Ledger for claims payable on July 26th, 2019 of \$1,566,037.09 and August 2nd, 2019 of \$130,700.84 as submitted. Next item directs the chairman to sign minutes for May 7th, 14th Canvass Drainage District #3, 14th Department Budgets, 14th, 21st, 28th, 28th Agency Budgets. For June 4th, 11th, 13th NextEra CUP meeting, 18th, and 25th, 2019 as submitted.

The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

Deputy Election Officer Jenna Fager met with the Board to recommend approval on a date and time for County Canvass of the August 6th, 2019 Primary City/School Election; and the November 5, 2019 General City/School Election. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush,** to approve the date and time for the August 6th, 2019 City/School Primary Election Canvass in the Courthouse Annex Conference Room on August 13, 2019 at 8:15 a.m. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush, to approve the date and time for the November 5th, 2019 General City/School Election in the Courthouse Annex Conference Room on November 12, 2019 at 8:15 a.m. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

County Administrator Gary Meagher recommended approval to set the 2020 Budget Hearing to take place at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 during the scheduled Commission Meeting

held in the Commission Chambers. He reminded the Board that they could lower the budget numbers but could not increase any amounts after it is approved. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush**, to approve the Tuesday, August 13, 2019 2020 Budget Hearing at 9:00 a.m. during the Commission Meeting held in the Commission Chamber. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

Community Corrections Director Randy Regehr met with the Board to recommend approval for Year-end Outcomes Report. His goal is for timing and motivation to get the right people in the right place at the right time which takes a lot of work to do. The challenge was they didn't make goals. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush**, to approve Community Corrections' Year-end Outcomes Report as outlined by Mr. Regehr. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

Mr. Regehr also gave explanation for the Community Corrections' budget adjustments and carryover reimbursement budgets:

1) FY'19 year-end Adult Budget line item adjustments, he said Oxford Houses make up most of the \$6,800 amount along with helping to pay for mental health meds, and training registrations.

2) FY'20 Department of Corrections Behavioral Health Grant budget adjustments. He asked for \$250 for office equipment but did not receive the amount asked for.

3) Adult Carryover Reimbursement Budget for Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC). This amount is collected from client fees and is rolled over annually into a reserve account that he is trying to build up. His goal is to use some of the funds for behavioral health. The balance in the account is \$108,000.

4) Juvenile Carryover Reimbursement Budget for KDOC. This fund is paid by parents of juvenile clients. The balance in the account is \$40,170.

Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush, to approve Community Corrections' budget adjustments and carryover reimbursement budgets. The motion was approved with a roll call vote of 2-0.

Health Department Director Nick Baldetti said the original Advisory Board used to be in South Hutchinson but was disbanded. He had a resolution establishing the Advisory Board under the Health Department and stated that they would address quality food in Reno County. He said meetings would start in two weeks after approval with Laurie Carr and Jackson Swearer, Health Department staff hosting the meeting. If there was anything of interest, he would bring a report to the Commission meetings. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush,** to approve resolution #2019-11; **A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RENO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOOD POLICY ADVISORY BOARD.** The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

Mr. Baldetti briefly explained how South Hutchinson had started the Reno County Health Department Food Policy Advisory Boards and how it disbanded. The Health Department staff would host the meetings and maintain the agenda and minutes. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush,** to approve the appointment of Tyler Davis, Tina Wells, Suzanne Wikle, Misty Cavanaugh, Michele Pitts, Mary Adams Treaster, Kelsi Depew, Jesse Juma, Jennifer Schroeder, Jeni Bryan, D'Ana Heinlein, Carter File, Barbara Lilyhorn and Ann Franz as members on the Reno County Health Department Food Policy Advisory Board. He said that out of these members, officers would be elected. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

Mr. Baldetti updated the Board on the mosquito spraying and trapping of the Culex species. KDHE had MOU's from all municipalities except Pretty Prairie, who opted out of spraying on Wednesday before aerial spraying could take place. It was too windy on Thursday at 14 miles per hour and was the same for the 18th, 19th, and 20th. The original MOU ran through July 20th and was amended to July 24th. After all municipalities emailed back their acceptance, except Pretty Prairie who still declined, he stated that they were able to spray on Monday night from 9:15 p.m. and concluded at 4:20 a.m. on Tuesday. He said they checked the numbers after spraying and the count was down. On June 26th there were 5,746, a week later in July they were above 2,000, and one week later they had 65 Culex in the trap which was a sharp drop. There were Zika mosquitoes whose numbers dropped also. Staff did great work and he said emergency management was on call and helped with sending information out through Ever-bridge.

Commissioner Bush asked if any West Nile virus was found in the Reno County traps. Mr. Baldetti said negative for West Nile in Reno County, however Sedgwick County reported West Nile in

their traps. He also warned that Reno County was still considered a red flag area for mosquitoes.

Mr. Meagher gave explanation of an agreement with WSP USA Inc. to perform a study at a cost of \$26,709.36 to determine realistic costs required to elevate the roadway safely above flood recurrence at the Little Arkansas River south and west of the City of Buhler. He said two weeks ago WSP gave a presentation evaluating what could be done to reduce flooding at both locations around Buhler. WSP would see which was most cost effective for a 25 to 100-year design and will look at the situations with overtopping and compare to the 50 to 100-year design when increased to a higher year design. The study should be complete around November 29, 2019. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush,** to approve an agreement with WSP to perform a study at a cost of \$26,709.36 because both roads were blocked and residents along with emergency services vehicles had to go through Inman to reach Buhler. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

Register of Deeds Michelle Updegrove met with the Board for her regularly scheduled meeting. Mrs. Updegrove discussed various current issues not requiring action by the Board. Commissioner Bush suggested looking at the Tech Fund balance and funding on projects.

At 10:25 the meeting recessed for five minutes.

The meeting reconvened with Commissioner Bush and Sellers, County Administrator Gary Meagher, County Counselor Joe O'Sullivan, and Minutes Clerk Cindy Martin, present.

At 10:30 Mr. O'Sullivan requested an executive session. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush,** to go into executive session for 45 minutes to discuss a privileged legal matter with no formal action to be taken asking Mr. Meagher and Mr. S. Eric Steinle, Martindell, Swearer, Shaffer and Ridenour LLP, who was assisting with the litigation from the Pretty Prairie Wind Energy LLC, be present. The motion was approved with a roll call vote of 2-0.

At 11:15 **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Bush,** to extend the executive session for 15 minutes more. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-0.

At 11:30 the meeting adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 6, 2019.

Approved:

Chair, Board of Reno County Commissioners

(ATTEST)

Reno County Clerk
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Date